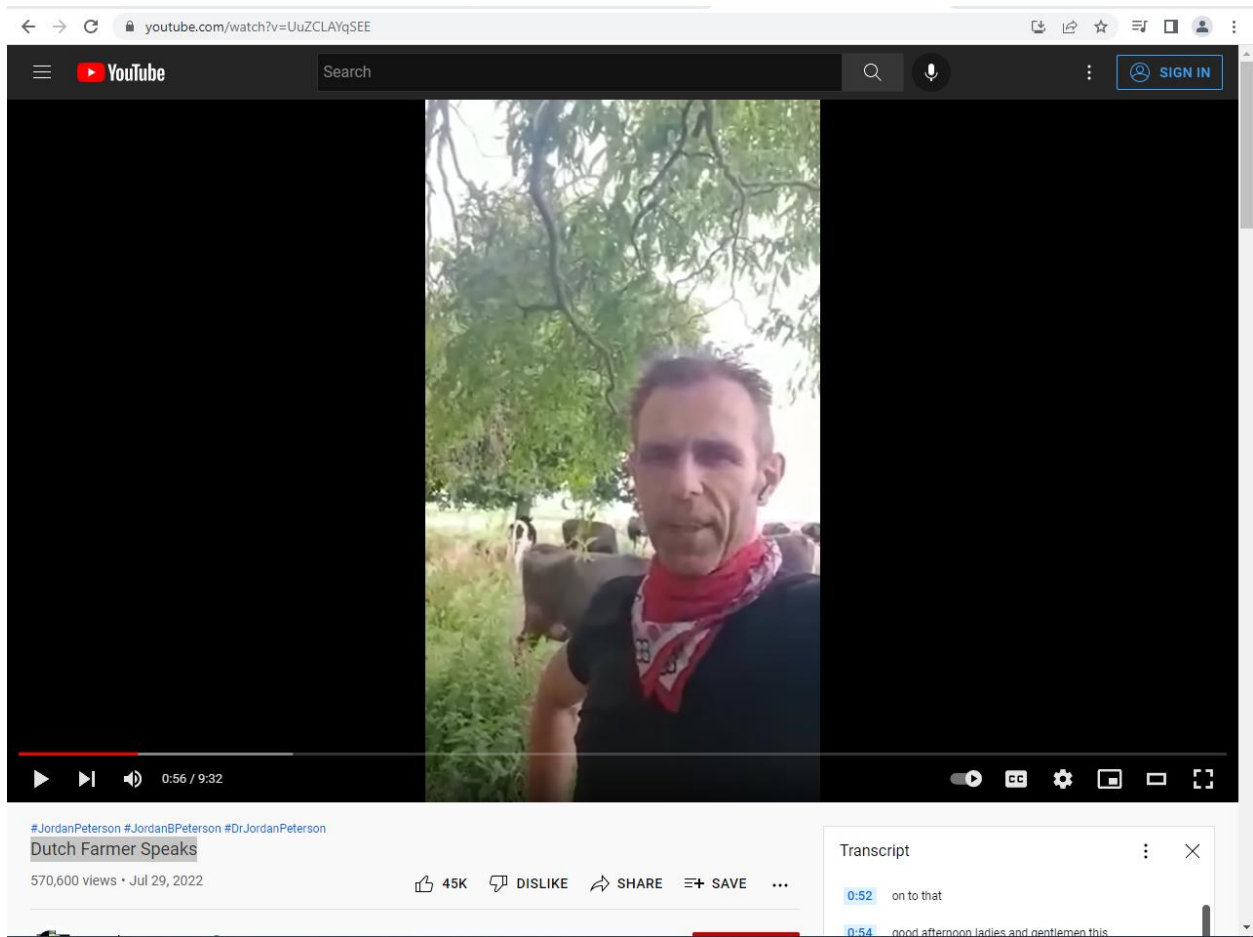


Dutch Farmer Speaks 2022/07/29



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Transcript:

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hello everyone recently i posted a

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conversation i had

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with michael yan an esteemed author and

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combat correspondent on the populist

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uprisings the farmers uprisings the

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truckers uprisings the yellow jackets

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and so forth in europe and the potential

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spread of what's

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called so nicely by the u n foods

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insecurity across the world michael had

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spent some time with the dutch farmers

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as well who haven't been represented

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well i would say in the legacy media for

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reasons that aren't exactly clear

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we he reached out to a dutch farmer

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jeroen van maanen

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to provide a first-hand account of the

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matter and to discuss the dutch farmers

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concerns and we thought it would be very

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useful to bring that to you in the

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context of this broader discussion

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so

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on to that

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good afternoon ladies and gentlemen this

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is uh

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i'm a dairy farmer from

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zerolder

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a city in the middle of the netherlands

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someone asked me if i could

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send a message what's going on in

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holland what's all about these farmer

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protests and why are dutch farmers angry

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well the farmer protests are already

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here since uh

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two and a half years the first of

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october 2019 was the first time dutch

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farmers had a very big protest

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we all went to the egg

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and actually there was more like some

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protests

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about the wind which was blowing already

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probably for 30 years that somewhere

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there's a problem in the environment

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there's a problem with pollution

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agriculture sector gets pointed at as a

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main cause of all problems

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after that after the biggest protest

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nitrogen problems came up and nitrogen

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problems aren't new 30 years ago already

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nature people start talking about

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nitrogen pollution

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which would make the rain sour and all

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the sour rain

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would cause lots of damage to the nature

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parks to forest

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and when you would hear these voices

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all the nature would be gone in a few

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years

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well thirty years later nature's still

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there most of it is in excellent

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condition

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for two and a half years people start

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talking about nitrogen emission ammonia

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from agriculture sector

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there's also

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nitrogen pollution because of the

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traffic because of the industry

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nitrogen oxides

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but we don't talk about it a lot and

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when the nitrogen problem is cold in

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holland it's focusing uh most of the

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times

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on the agriculture sector only

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well

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when the thing started

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and actually what i wanted to do is

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reducing the nitrogen emission and

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especially the nigerian deposition on

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nature parks

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well it started agriculture sector came

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together all parties like the the dairy

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industry pork industry chicken industry

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you could ever call whatever industries

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came together made a big plan

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there was a lot of solutions in it

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and we tried to to solve the problem

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our government in the meanwhile we

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went on with making other plans

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which resulted in uh

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the latest new plan a few weeks ago

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and it's uh terrible it's idiot and it's

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and it's of no use

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what they did is they divided holland in

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different regions

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some regions have to lower their

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emissions by 12

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some regions have to lower their

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emissions by 46.

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75 or 95 percent

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in the meanwhile our juridical system is

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this on this moment that no innovations

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in agriculture sector are allowed to use

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so there are different techniques for uh

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lowering your omission but when you are

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asked for a court and a judge will look

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into your innovations they will say you

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can't use it so the only reason the only

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thing

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to

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lower your emissions right now is just

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cutting your heart back

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and actually you're probably coming

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at the main cause of it all

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stick uh nitrogen is more like we call

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it stick to beat the dog

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it's just to camouflage the real cars

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some left-wing parties in holland and

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probably all over the world it's it's

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the same movement they want to get rid

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of

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animal industries they want to have a

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transition to more plant-based food

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transition to

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vegetarians we have all the all the

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older stuff together

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in ireland we also have a party like

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that and they asked for 50 reduction of

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our national herd that's probably on

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this moment the main cause of it all

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we're not talking about nitrogen no they

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just want to reduce the national earth

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well every farmer all around the world

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and also every citizen knows

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that cutting back the hood isn't the

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cause of the of any problems you know we

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are producing food

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two-thirds of agricultural land on the

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planet can only be grown by grass and

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you need

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cows like this

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for making grass into meat or into milk

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or whatever you want

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whatever problem with emissions with

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pollution on the world you are asking

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about whether it's not chemical

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but farming is probably a part of the

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problem but most of it all it's

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part of the solution

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well dutch farmers now are getting

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angry every day more government is not

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listening

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and what we are fearing for is we have

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to leave our land and that's also

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a deeper agenda behind it

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in holland they just want to have

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farmers land 62 percent of the

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area in holland is farmed by farmers

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and what they want to do is they want to

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have the land cheap so they're making it

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nature

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first

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and when they have the land in their

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hands they can build houses on it houses

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we don't need by

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dutch citizens

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because average dutch couple is getting

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1.8 1.9 kids so what's the problem of

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the

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demand for houses that we get 100 000

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refugees refugees in the in this country

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every year

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that's why they have to build houses

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well that's a shortcut of

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of our problems right now

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farmers are getting angry they're not

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listened by by the government

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every solution we

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came on with

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they don't take it

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and what we see right now when we have

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to reduce our national hurt when we have

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to reduce our herds by ourselves farms

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will break down on this moment when the

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plan of the government is coming

7:01

probably 30 40 50 of the farmers have to

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fear for the future that's why we're on

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the streets that's why we're protesting

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that's why the protesters are going

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harder

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and

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actually quite happily

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all around the world people start

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looking at holland what's happening

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there

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well what uh what the warning from the

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dutch farmers is that every citizen from

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holland especially but also in europe

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probably around the globe

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have to look at what do we want to have

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to eat in the in a few years time dutch

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agriculture is champion world champion

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on every class whether we talk about

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nitrogen where we talk about other

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pollutions

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dutch farming is best in all chapters

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so it's no solution to

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get rid of dutch farmers the production

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which is uh

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going away up here needs to come back in

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enough in another different area from

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the world

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well we need transport for that it gives

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co2 emissions

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and also the standards of production up

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there

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aren't as high as as in dutch

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agriculture so that's why we're fighting

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on the street we want to stay on our

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land

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when we are part of a problem we want to

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solve it we can do it we always did it

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nitrogen pollution and nitrogen

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emissions

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turned back 68 by agriculture sector in

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holland in the last 30 years so we

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proved we can do a lot of things but we

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will keep on farming we will fight for

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our farms

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that's why we

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have the actions we have the protest on

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the on the on the in the country

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we're asking a lot of attention for our

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problems

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this is uh in ireland we call it a

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farmer's handkerchief and it's made a

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symbol of the of the battle of the

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farmers right now

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and actually

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it feels good that

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foreign people asking for what's

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happening in holland and we're warning

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you all over europe

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this problem which is here in holland

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can be your problem in the next years so

9:01

we're asking for support from farmers

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and also citizens in europe all around

9:05

the world

9:07

this problem could be your problem when

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citizens want to have

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food on the on the plate in the next 10

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years

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that we have to stand up for our farmers

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dutch farmers are standing up

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we are supporting all farmers around the

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world

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keep on doing what we do and we have to

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start fighting for our farms for our

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future for our families and for food and

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table thanks very much

Description Section:

Michael Yon, esteemed author and combat correspondent, reached out to Jeroen van Maanen, a Dutch dairy farmer and protest leader for 2.5 years, to provide a first-hand account of the Dutch farmer uprising that the mainstream media has not represented very well.

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